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1. Decisive action against Tito will begin in the next few months, probably in early autumn. The attacking forces are only awaiting the outcome of the Korean affair and further developments in East Asia before proceeding against Yugoslavia. Events in Asia will force the United States into extensive military engagements, first in Korea, where Chinese troops will soon participate, then in Formosa and in Vietnam. Therefore, a serious U.S. reaction to events in Yugoslavia cannot be expected.

2. The KPOe Central Committee has received an assignment from Moscow to avoid everything that might draw attention to Austria, since Austria, particularly the Soviet Zone, belongs to areas which are important for the attack on Yugoslavia. The KPOe will undertake nothing in the immediate future outside of "peace movement activity".

3. In case of the actual beginning of the indicated development, the Central Committee intends to bolster the KPOe in the Western Zones of Austria. For this purpose, an "Ersatzapparat" is at present being organized for the provinces of western Austria, and a camouflage system is being prepared which would permit party work to be carried out illegally by a second or third set of teams.

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